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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<u>In re application of:</u>	July 20, 2005
<u>L. Frelechoux, et al</u>	Group Art Unit: 2664
<u>Serial No. 09/877,479</u>	Examiner: A. C. C. Lee
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time for a period of one month to respond to the Office Action dated March 21, 2005. The period for response, which had been set to expire on June 21, 2005, will now expire on July 21, 2005. Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account 50-0510 in the amount of \$120.00 for the one month extension.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Frelechoux, et al

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